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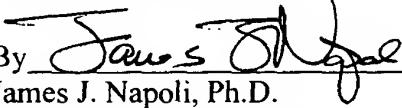
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application – Filing Date Granted mailed April 2, 2002, Applicant respectfully submits a Declaration.

Our check in the amount of \$130.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 27611/37221A/US. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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